

In the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) A method for recycling asphalt, said method comprising the steps of:

receiving asphalt material through a load hopper;

delivering said asphalt material onto a conveyer belt;

directing said asphalt material into a rotating drum via a chute;

heating said asphalt material causing said asphalt material to soften and water to evaporate;

tumbling said asphalt material using a material classifier ring until said asphalt material is generally granularized;

mixing said asphalt material with ~~oil and other material~~ a rejuvenating additive;

manipulating said drum so said asphalt material can be maintained in said drum until said asphalt material is ready to be reused; and

removing said asphalt material from said drum.

2. (original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein said tumbling loosens said asphalt material.

3. (original) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein the direction of said tumbling is reversed to further facilitate granularization.

4. (withdrawn) An asphalt recycling system comprising:
  - a load hopper configured to receive asphalt material;
  - a conveyer belt connected to said load hopper and configured to transport said asphalt material;
  - a chute coupled to said conveyer belt;
  - a drum coupled to said chute wherein said drum tumbles and mixes said asphalt material;
  - a heat source that heats said asphalt recycling system;
  - a material classifier ring configured within said drum in order to granularize said asphalt material;
  - a shutter coupled to said drum; and
  - an outlet conveyer configured to receive said asphalt material after it exits said drum.
5. (withdrawn) An asphalt recycling system as recited in claim 4, wherein said heat source is housed within a heat chamber.
6. (withdrawn) An asphalt recycling system as recited in claim 5, wherein said heat source heats said asphalt material using at least one of the following methods:
  - (i) conduction;
  - (ii) convection; and
  - (iii) radiation.

7. (new) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein said material classifier ring prevents said asphalt material from passing said material classifier ring in said rotating drum until said asphalt material is smaller than a certain size.
8. (new) A method as recited in claim 7, wherein said material classifier ring comprises a number of paddles with spaces between said paddles, said spaces determining the size of said asphalt material that is allowed to pass said material classifier ring.
9. (new) A method as recited in claim 8, wherein said material classifier ring is located in an early stage of said rotating drum.
10. (new) A method as recited in claim 9, wherein said tumbling of said asphalt material is facilitated by a plurality of paddles located in a later stage of said drum.
11. (new) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein said material classifier ring comprises a number of paddles with spaces between said paddles, said spaces determining the size of said asphalt material that is allowed to pass said material classifier ring.
12. (new) A method as recited in claim 11, wherein said material classifier ring is located in an early stage of said rotating drum.

13. (new) A method as recited in claim 12, wherein said tumbling of said asphalt material is facilitated by a plurality of paddles located in a later stage of said drum.

14. (new) A method as recited in claim 11, wherein said material classifier ring is located in an early stage of said rotating drum.

15. (new) A method as recited in claim 14, wherein said tumbling of said asphalt material is facilitated by a plurality of paddles located in a later stage of said drum.

16. (new) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein said manipulating said drum comprises tilting the drum upward.

17. (new) A method as recited in claim 1, wherein said manipulating said drum comprises tilting the drum downward.